

30 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Walter Elder
Chief, CIA History Staff

SUBJECT : Component Histories in the Directorate
of Intelligence

REFERENCE : Your Memorandum of 24 January 1974

1. Following is a summary of the status of work on component histories currently underway in the Directorate of Intelligence:

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CRS

A draft of the history of CRS was submitted to the History Staff for review in May 1973. To date the draft has not been returned to CRS, and further action will await completion of the review by History Staff.

OBGI

This Office is tentatively considering some further work on the overview history of the Cartography Division and on the monograph on Automation in Cartography. The results would be intended primarily for internal OBGI purposes, however, and would not require review and "polishing" support from the History Staff since "finished" publication is not contemplated. Copies could, of course, be made available to the Staff for retention as HS/HC documents.

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OCI

- a) The major narrative history of OCI is in final typing for publication. Three volumes of the six-volume work have been typed, and typing is now underway on the fourth volume. The entire task should be completed by May 1974.
- b) The historical monograph on OCI Support for the White House has been completed in draft form and has been submitted to D/OCI for review of the draft. Following his approval it will be submitted to History Staff for review for publication. Assuming no unanticipated delays, completion by 30 June 1974 appears feasible.

OER

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- a) Volume II of [REDACTED] three-volume history of economic intelligence research in ORR and OER is now ready for final typing. Completion by the end of April is estimated. A draft of Volume III was submitted on 28 January 1974 for review by the History Staff. Assuming no unanticipated delays, Volume III should be completed by 30 June 1974.

- b) The history of the Economic Intelligence Committee should be completed in draft form and ready for History Staff review by early March. This should permit completion of the review process before the end of June 1974, although final typing for publication may extend into FY 1975.

- c) OER is reactivating its revision of the earlier unsatisfactory draft history of CIA Support for the Economic Defense Program, and expects to have a revised draft ready for History Staff review by the end of April 1974. This should permit completion of the review process before the end of June 1974, although final typing for publication may extend into FY 1975.

OSR

The draft history of Development of Strategic Research at CIA has been revised by OSR following review by the History Staff. The revised draft is now being reviewed by the DDI, who was personally much involved in the events recorded. Following his approval it will be ready for final typing. Completion by the end of June 1974 appears feasible.

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O/DDI

A draft history of the O/DDI covering the period through the tenure of DDI Ray Cline has been completed and submitted to the ADDI for review. Following his approval it will be forwarded for History Staff review. In the meantime, work is proceeding on drafting the final chapter, which covers the tenure of DDI R. J. Smith. It should be feasible to complete the review process for the entire history by the end of June 1974, but final typing for publication will almost certainly extend well into FY 1975.

2. I shall be pleased to discuss these items further at your convenience.

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DDI Historian

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Dick,

Walt Elder is ending the History Staff's responsibility for, and involvement in, the component history program by 30 June.

Currently, Admin has Volume V of the OCI history for typing. After that there is one volume to go.

The small corrections in all the volumes will be made when you have finished with them.

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REMARKS: FYI. Walt Elder has informed me that the CIA History Staff will terminate its responsibility for, and involvement in, the component history program by 30 June 1974. Attached is a copy of a current status summary that I am providing him concerning DDI histories still in work. <i>GRW</i>		
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OCI Subjects (from the historian's viewpoint)

1. White House relations
2. PDB
3. Presidential task forces
4. Conference and trip support
5. Publications, daily
6. Publications, weekly & monthly
7. Memoranda
8. Policy papers & comments
9. Briefings
10. Lecturing and misc. support
11. USIB committees & subcommittees
- 11a. Meetings
12. Emergency task forces
13. Alert system & ops center
14. Indications, watch committee
15. Handbooks, factbooks, other refs
16. Misc. production
17. NIS
18. Research
19. Overseas jobs
20. Commendations
21. Foreign liaison
22. Relations w/State

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23. Relations with Defense and NSA
24. Relations with other CIA offices
25. Organization, mission & functions
26. Personnel
27. Training
28. Intel received, and requirements
29. COMINT & spec. sources
30. TDYs abroad
31. Computer technology
32. Printing, graphics, etc
33. Investigations, surveys
34. Miscellaneous
35. Operating Procedures

OCI PERIODIC AND SERIES PUBLICATIONS

~~EXCLUDED PERIODIC AND SERIES PUBLICATIONS~~

This is not a definitive list because the titles of some series, Excluding memoranda, situation reports, and task force issuances especially those issued by task forces, are not available. Research projects are excluded,

1. Situation Summary. Weekly. Worldwide indications of Communist intentions. 14 July 1950-4 Feb 1955. (I,I,6)
2. Daily Korean Summary. 10 Oct 1950-21 Jan 1951. (I,I,5)
3. Daily Korean Bulletin. The above renamed. 22 Jan 1951-22 Jan 1953. (I,I,5)
4. Daily Summary of Significant Traffic. Internal use only. 8 Jan 1951-14 Feb 1951. (I,II,1) Supplement: Daily Summary of Significant S/S Cable Traffic. 11 Jan-14 Feb 1951. (I,II,1)
5. Weekly Survey of International Communism. 17 Jan-20 Feb 1951. (I,II,2)
6. Bi-Weekly Survey of International Communism. Successor to above. 20 Feb-24 July 1951. (I,II,2)
7. Current Intelligence Bulletin. 28 Feb 1951-13 Jan 1958. (I,II,5)
8. Daily Digest of Significant Traffic. No. 4 renamed. 15 Feb-25 March 1951. This had an S/S supplement. (I,II,13)
9. Daily Digest. Above renamed. 26 March 1951-16 March 1952. (I,II,13) Comint was carried in the Special Intelligence Supplement to the Daily Digest from 31 July 1951. (I,II,14; IV,II,7) A Top Secret Supplement to the Daily Digest was issued separately from 3 March 1952. (I,III,9) (See also No. 12)
10. Weekly Review. 2 Aug-15 Aug 1951. (I,II,27)
11. Current Intelligence Review. Above renamed. 15 Aug 1951-

S 12. Current Intelligence Digest. No. 9 renamed. 17 March 1952-23 April 1968. (I,III, 3,9) Its Special Intelligence Supplement ran until 4 Aug 1962. Its Top Secret Supplement ran until March 1956. (I,III,9)

13. Watch Pot. The latest information. 8 Oct 1952-early 1956. (I,III,8)

14. Current Intelligence Weekly. Secret version of No. 11. 5 June 1953- Feb 1955. (II,I,12)

15. Soviet-Communist Propaganda Highlights. Weekly. 4 May 1953-Dec 1955 (at least). (II,I,14)

16. Chronology of Recent Events in the Soviet Orbit. 1 to 3 week intervals. 14 July 1953-20 April 1962. Title changed to Chronology of Principal Events Relating to the Soviet Orbit during (month and year). (II,I,14)

17. Berlin Conference Developments. Jan-12 Feb 1954. 9 issues. (II,II,7)

S 18. Calendar of Scheduled Forthcoming Events. Monthly. 1 Feb 1954-April 1966. (II,II,7)

19. Weekly Summary of Trieste Developments. 5 Feb-1 Oct 1954. (II,II,8)

20. The Spectator. Speculative articles. 14 Apr-30 Apr 1954. (II,II,9)

21. Pre-Geneva Conference Developments. 4 Mar-28 Apr 1954. 12 issues. (II,II,10)

22. Geneva Conference Bulletin. 28 Apr-12 May 1954. 10 issues. (II,II,10)

23. Weekly Indochina Report. 14 May-14 July 1954. (II,II,10)

24. Weekly Report of Developments Affecting Soviet Capabilities to Attack the US. For the DDI. 1954-17 Mar 1955 (at least). (II,II,13)

25. Critical Situations. Weekly. Short- and long-term threats. 16 Dec 1954-3 Feb 1955. (II,II,14)

26. Current Intelligence Weekly Review. Successor to No. 11. 10 Feb 1955-15 Mar 1963. (II,II,18)

27. Current Intelligence Weekly Summary. Successor to No. 14. 10 Feb 1955-15 Mar 1963. (II,II,18)

28. The Taiwan Strait Report. Irregular. July 1955-June 1958. (III,I,49)

29. Day Journal. No. 13 renamed. Early 1956-17 Jan 1961. (II,II,18; III,I,26; IV,I,17)

30. Night Journal. Counterpart of No. 29. Early 1956-present.

31. The Arab-Israeli Situation. Irregular. 8 Mar 1956 to June 1962, when it became a handbook. (III,I,31)

32. Central Intelligence Bulletin. Successor to No. 7. 14 Jan 1958-present. (See also Nos. 68-70) (III,I,52) **33. Communist Propaganda in Policy Perspective Weekly. Issue dated 23 Jan 1959*

34. The Berlin Situation, Special Report. 17 Mar-11 Aug 1959. (III,II,12). 11 Oct 1960-17 Jan 1961.

35. Bi-Weekly Report on Demobilization of Soviet Armed Forces. 16 Sept- 1960. (III,II,16)

36. President's Intelligence Checklist. 17 June 1961-30 Nov 1964. (IV,I,7)

37. Cuba Summary. 5-11 Mar 1962; Daily Cuba Summary. 12-14 Mar 1962; **35. Survey of Recent Communist Policies and Activities. Bi-monthly. Issue dated 23 Oct 1959.*

§ Daily Summary: 15 Mar 1962-21 Sept 1964. (IV, II, 25)

39. Weekly Cuban Summary. 13-19 Mar 1962; Weekly Summary.

20 Mar 1962-29 Sept 1964; Weekly Cuban Summary. 30 Sept 1964-3 May 1965.
(IV,II,25)

28: Cuban Developments.

27-30 Aug 1962. (IV, II, 26)

4239. Cuban Highlights. Above renamed. 21 Aug-19 Sept 1962. (IV.II.26)

43. The Crisis-USSR/Cuba. Daily. 24 Oct-12 Nov 1962. Irregularly

13-29 Nov 1962. (IV,II,29-30)

44. US Reconnaissance Activity over Cuba. Daily. 13 Feb-22 May 1963.

(IV, II, 34)

42. Current Status of Soviet Forces in Cuba. Daily. 21 Feb-15 May
-ast). (IV, III, 36)

5 46. DCT's Cuban Checklist, ^{for the DCT.} Daily, informal. Done by Cuban task force. 21 Feb 1963-4 May 1965. (IV,II,37)

47. Weekly Review. New name for revamped No. 26. 22 Mar 1963-
present. (IV, II, 49)

48. Weekly Summary. New name for revamped No. 27. 22 Mar 1963-
present. (IV, II, 49)

49. Special Report. Adjunct to the Weekly. 22 Mar 1963-present.
(IV,II,49)

5b. 47. President's Intelligence Review. Twice a week. 9 Jan-17 Dec 1964. (V, I, 2, 4)

51. President's Daily Brief. No. 35³⁷ revamped. 1 Dec 1964-present.
(V,I,4)

59. The Situation in the Congo. Daily.

22 Aug - 29 Sept 1964; 21-27 Nov 1964. (V,I,9A)
Weekly. Issue dated 10 Feb 1965.

50. Highlights of the Week. No. ⁵⁰ revamped. 18 Dec 1964-

26 Feb 1965. (V,I,4)

51. Situation in South Vietnam. Daily. 11-23 Sept 1963.

(V,I,6)

S 52. South Vietnam Summary. Above renamed. 24 Sept-1 Nov 1963.

(V,I,6)

53. The Situation in South Vietnam. Weekly Report. 7 Feb 1964-

26 Sept 1968. (V,I,6)

54. Monthly Report. The Situation in South Vietnam. 6 March 1964-

4 Aug 1965. (V,I,6)

55. Vietnam Checklist for the Director of Central Intelligence.

Daily. March 1964-23 March 1965. (V,I,7)

56. The North Vietnamese Crisis. Daily. 6-14 Aug 1964. (V,I,8)

S 57. The Situation in Vietnam. Daily. 24 March 1965- 29 Sept 1970
(V,I,9)

58. Situation in the Dominican Republic. ^{111.} Hourly, then twice
daily. 28 Apr -30 June 1965. 292 issues. (V,I,28) 20 Oct-3 Nov 1965, About
22 issues. 17 Dec 1965-13 Feb 1966, about 30 issues. (V,I,31-2)

59. Situation in Kashmir. ^{111.} 3 times a day. 2 Sept-15 Oct 1965.

114 issues. (V,I,42)

*60. Dec World Weekly. TS Scans, CIA internal use only
Scan dated 4 March 1966.

S 61. Weekly Report Prepared Exclusively for the Senior Inter-

departmental Group. On critical situations. 21 March 1966-16 Dec 1968.

(V,II,19)

62. Review of Insurgency Problems. Weekly. 19 May 1965?-
15 March 1966. (V,II,10,19)

60. Special Daily Report on North Vietnam for the President's Eyes Only. Supplement to No. 48. 7 Sept 1967-20 Jan 1969. (V, III, 32)

67. VIP Movements Report. Weekly. 17 Nov 1967-present. (V, III, 32)

68. The Arab-Israeli Situation. Daily. Several times a day. 18 May-1967. (V, III, 43)

S 69. Daily (Weekly) Summary of Soviet Arms Shipments. 18 June-16 Aug 1967. (V, III, 43)

70. Korean Situation. Daily. Several a day. 23 Jan- March 1968. (V, III, 47)

S 71. Indications of Vietnamese Communist Military Activity. Daily. 9 Apr 1968-29 Jan 1969. (V, III, 57)

72. Indications of Vietnamese Communist Military Activity (Summary for the Period). Weekly. 17 Apr 1968-7 May 1969. (V, III, 57)

73. Central Intelligence Bulletin. Black Book. Top Secret Comint Keyhole. 24 Apr 1968-present. (V, III, 80)

74. Central Intelligence Bulletin. Red Book. Top Secret Comint. 24 Apr 1968-present. (V, III, 80)

75. Central Intelligence Bulletin. White Book. Secret. Successor to No. 12. 24 Apr 1968-present. (V, III, 80)

76. The Vietnam Talks Situation. 19 Nov 1968- 1970. For Asst Sec State and Paris del. (V, III, 58)

* 76. China Political Monthly. Ts Form. Issue dated 1 Oct 1968.

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WHAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED FOR HISTORY?

Nearly everything definitive of either a production or an administrative nature should be saved, and organized in appropriate files. Definitive means things actually done, and done officially-- administrative regulations, announcements, and finished production of all types (including briefings where these were written down, even as notes).

Then, anything important but non-definitive (perhaps we could use the word informal) should be saved, again of both administrative and substantive kind. The judgment of importance is unavoidably subjective and practice will certainly not be uniform. But what winds up in the Records Center as our history is going to be vastly different if people are aware that important informal papers should be saved. Our records now appear to be very weak in the informal category, and consequently much of our history is lost (except as it exists in people's memories). Definitive papers provide very little regarding reasons, concepts,

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philosophy, policies, and appraisals--rich material which the historian must have for understanding. Such material would show in reports of conferences or in memos of individuals.

Important substantive papers that were never "published" should be on record. Possibly they were not published because someone disagreed with them, but the office history should not be blind to such episodes. Indeed, history becomes pretty dull stuff if we write it as though everyone always saw things just the same way.

Another category worth preserving is that of memos on the working of the office, pointing to problems and making suggestions.

In general, we can be guided in the selection of records to be preserved by the fact that the history of the office is the total story of what its members did and thought--on the job.

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OCI FILES OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

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Files in the Office of the Administrative Chief

File: "Organization (Mission etc.)"

File: "Personnel 14N History of OCI Ceiling 1951-64"

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Box 1 of 5

OCI Notices and Regulations 1952-57

OCI Notices and Regulations 1958-60

OCI Regulations and Notices 1960

Miscellaneous Memos 1951-52

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Ceilings

Career Staff

Strength Reports

Box 3 of 5. Job 67-S-557.

Mostly personnel files

Chronology 1959-62 (misc. memos)

Memo for the Record 1959-63

Box 4 of 5.

File: "Organization and Management, Table of Organization -- Ceilings" for 1951 thru 1958

File: "Records 6 Vital Materials-Transfer" for 1953 thru 1959. These are document receipts.

File: "Material submitted to the Clark Committee." Very useful. The first Tab D has a list of OCI publications as of 8 Dec 1954.

Box 5 of 5.

All Budget files. 1951-61.

The following boxes have the indicated numbers in the top right corner:

1. Job 67-S-557.

2. Also marked 62/S/324.

File: "Bulletin Dry Run 1951"

File: "Office of National Estimates." Material on early (1951-2) relationship.

File: "DCI Weekly Cable Supplement" 1953

3. Also marked 62/S/324.

Comint and Watch Committee Material.

File: "Directives" Interesting stuff from ORE era.

4.

Has a copy of the July 1949 Analysis of ORE Production.

Mostly has stacks of TS and Comint memos and papers on a variety of subjects.

5. Also marked 62/S/324.

File: "OCI Organization Jan '51-July '51"

File: "OCI Organization" Has organization as of 10 Dec 51.

File: "Staff Meetings" Intelligence Staff, July-Dec 1951.

File: "General Division Memos for Record" from ORE era

File: "D/OC Staff Meetings 1948-50"

File: "TO/OCI"

A [redacted] envelope of early OCI rosters

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A Notebook, "Review of Problems" [REDACTED]

July 52-Jan 53

Looseleaf notebooks (2) containing the [REDACTED]

Diary (Aug 52-July 53) and the [REDACTED] Diary (Jan-July 54)

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Another Set of Boxes:

Box 1 of 4. Equipment, Supplies, and Property.

Box 2 of 4. Budget Estimates.

Box 3 of 4. Career Files.

Box 4 of 4. Budget Estimates.

Also in the Office of the Administrative Chief:

A black, loose-leaf notebook, "Current Intelligence, Vol. I," top secret. This presents all aspects of OCI and was made up in August 1954, probably for the Clark Committee.

File: "Vague History OCI-NIC"

T/O as approved by [REDACTED] on 7 Feb 1951.

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Files in the Custody of the Deputy Director, OCI:

"Central Intelligence Bulletin, Background I" 1957

"Central Intelligence Bulletin, Valid" 1962-3

"CIB Working Group" Sept-Nov 1963

"CIB Working Group-II" 1963

Files in the Custody of Deltic Ass:

"Publications Memoranda CIB"

"PFIAB Annual Report"

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Files in the Custody of Presentations Staff [REDACTED]

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"Report to Board of Consultants" 1957-62

"Task Force on Current Intelligence Publications" 1960

"Cassidy Committee Report Jan 1957" (almost nothing in it)

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KEY DATES IN THE ORGANIZATION OF OCI

1950

2 October. William H. Jackson took office as Deputy Director, CIA.

7 October. Lt. Gen. Walter B. Smith took office as DCI.

10 October. ORE plan called for creating a current intelligence division in ONE.

26 October. DCI presented his reorganization plan to the IAC.

7 November. Reorganization chart showed the ORE plan of 10 October.

13 November. Formation of ONE announced.

15 November. Langer begins to organize a current intelligence staff.

1 December. Smith abolished the Advisory Council and set up OSS.

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13 December. [REDACTED] (AD/OSS) says it's envisaged that General Division will come to OSS.

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18 December. Smith agreed to a strengthened Indicator Group.

19 December. [REDACTED] endorsed memo to transfer General Div. to OSS.

Also evidently agreed in a meeting to give current intelligence to OSS and transfer Watch personnel to it.

21 December. Jackson authorized something. Records fragmentary, but probably it was authorization for OSS to take over current intelligence, and the analysts from ORE's regional divisions.

1951

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4 January. [REDACTED] appointed AD/SS.

15 January. OSS changed to OCI.